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Applicant(s): Liming Shao	Examiner: Kishore, G.S.
Application Serial No.: 10/014,321	Art Unit: 1615
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Title: <i>Orally-Bioavailable Formulations of Fentanyl and Congeners Thereof</i>	

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***Amendment and Response***

Dear Examiner Kishore:

In response to the final Office Action in the above-identified application, mailed October 21, 2004, the Applicants submit the following Response.

**Please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.**